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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed February 16, 2006, Applicants elect, with traverse, to prosecute Group I (claims 1-39 and 127-129) and "further restriction" of steroid hormone receptors as the nuclear receptor. Applicants traverse the restriction in part because the "further restriction" portion of the restriction is completely improper. **In the event that the restriction is maintained in its current form after consideration of Applicants comments herein, Applicants request a telephonic interview with the Examiner and the Examiner's Supervisory Examiner.**

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 16 of this paper.